

REMARKS

Claims 1-44 are pending in this application. Claims 1-44 stand rejected. By this Amendment, claims 1,12-16, and 23, 26, 29, and 34-38 have been amended. The amendments made to the claims do not alter the scope of these claims, nor have these amendments been made to define over the prior art. Rather, the amendments to the claims have been made to improve the form thereof. In light of the amendments and remarks set forth below, Applicant respectfully submits that each of the pending claims is in immediate condition for allowance.

Claims 1-44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0123079 ("Yamaguchi") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,748,471 ("Keeney"). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

All of Applicant's independent claims explicitly recite a "printer device provided with a static printer identification." Applicant respectfully submits that this feature is not disclosed in Yamaguchi.

In Yamaguchi, a digital copier is provided with a network address. In contrast, printer identification, as described in paragraph 41 of Applicant's specification, is predetermined and cannot be changed by the user or by moving the printer device to a different network location. In other words, the printer identification is a static identifier and not the dynamic network address disclosed in Yamaguchi. Therefore, even if the claimed printer device were moved to another network address, the static printer identification would not change. Therefore, Yamaguchi fails to disclose this explicitly recited limitation in Applicant's claims.

The Office Action includes Keeney to disclose a print system further comprising the host receiving the delivery request information table from the printer device, to determine whether the requested content should be delivered according to

the printer identification included in the received delivery request information table, producing the print data of the contents on the base of specification information about the printer device, and delivering the print data to the printer device. Applicant respectfully submits that this feature is not disclosed in Keeney. Additionally, Keeney fails to cure the deficiency in Yamaguchi noted above. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 is allowable over the combination of Keeney and Yamaguchi.

Claims 2-22 depend either directly or indirectly from, and contain all the limitations of claim 1. These dependent claims also recite additional limitations which, in combination with the limitations of claim 1, are neither disclosed nor suggested by Keeney and are also believed to be directed towards the patentable subject matter. Thus, claims 2-22 should also be allowed.

Among the limitations of independent claim 23 and its dependent claims not present in the cited reference is a static delivery request terminal identification. As discussed above, Yamaguchi fails to disclose a static identifier. In Yamaguchi, the device identifier is a dynamic network address which is different than the claimed static delivery request terminal identification. As such, Applicant respectfully submits that Yamaguchi and Keeney fail to disclose this feature. Therefore, Applicant respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

Claims 24-44 depend either directly or indirectly from, and contain all the limitations of claim 23. These dependent claims also recite additional limitations which, in combination with the limitations of claim 23, are neither disclosed nor suggested by Keeney and are also believed to be directed towards the patentable subject matter. Thus, claims 24-44 should also be allowed.

Applicant has responded to all of the rejections and objections recited in the Office Action. Reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance for all of the pending claims

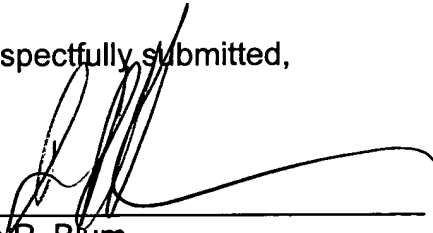
are therefore respectfully requested.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

If the Examiner believes an interview would be of assistance, the Examiner is welcome to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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